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THIRTY-EIGHTH REPORT

OF THE

GENERAL PRISONS BOARD, IRELAND.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY IVOR CHURCHILL, BARON
WIMBORNE,
LORD LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND GENERAL GOVERNOR OF IRELAND.

GENERAL PRISONS BOARD,
DUBLIN CASTLE,
18th December, 1916.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

We have the honour to present our Thirty-eighth Annual Report on the Convict and Local Prisons, the Place of Preventive Detention at Maryborough, the Borstal Institution at Clonmel, and the State Inebriate Reformatory at Ennis, and with respect to the Registration of Criminals.

Number of Penal Establishments.

The number of Penal Establishments under the control of the Board is as follows :—

- 1 Convict Prison for Males at Maryborough, a portion of which is set apart as a Place of Preventive Detention under the Prevention of Crime Act, 1908;
- 1 Convict and Local Prison for Males and Females—Mountjoy Prison, Dublin;
- 12 Local Prisons, one of which is for the time not in use;
- 3 Minor Prisons;
- 1 Borstal Institution at Clonmel;
- 1 State Inebriate Reformatory at Ennis;
- 5 Bridewells.

In accordance with Your Excellency's directions, consequent on the large diminution in the number of prisoners owing to the war, we have reduced Kilkenny and Tullamore Prisons, and we propose shortly to reduce some other Prisons in like manner. These Prisons are temporarily reduced in status as a war economy, but should an increase in the prison population require it, they can readily be restored to the pre-war status. The Minor Prisons will be in charge of a Chief Warder, and will be only used for prisoners on remand or for those sentenced to terms not exceeding 7 days. All other prisoners will be committed to such of the larger prisons as have been fixed by Your Excellency as most convenient to the committal areas.

Number of Committals.

The number of committals for 1915 was 19,899, a decrease of 3,823, as compared with the preceding year. They were divided as follows:—

		Males.	Females.	Total.
Convicts, i.e., those committed under sentence of penal servitude	{ 1915 1914	37 66	1 4	38 70
Ordinary prisoners committed to Local Prisons and Bridewells	{ 1915 1914	11,923 15,326	7,400 7,763	19,323 23,089
Young offenders committed to Clonmel Borstal Institution	{ 1915 1914	30 49	— —	30 49
Habitual Inebriates committed to Ennis State Inebriate Reformatory	{ 1915 1914	5 8	4 6	9 14
Total	{ 1915 1914	11,994 15,449	7,405 7,773	19,399 23,222

The daily average number of prisoners was 1,664, as compared with 2,088 in 1914. This daily average was distributed among the following classes:—

		Males.	Females.	Total.
Convicts in Convict and Local Prisons	{ 1915 1914	187 240	15 19	202 258
Ordinary prisoners in Local Prisons and Bridewells	{ 1915 1914	897 1,207	467 430	1,364 1,637
Prisoners undergoing Preventive Detention	{ 1915 1914	7 11	— —	7 11
Young offenders in Clonmel Borstal Institution	{ 1915 1914	60 94	— —	60 94
Habitual Inebriates in Ennis State Inebriate Reformatory	{ 1915 1914	13 9	18 19	31 28
Total	{ 1915 1914	1,164 1,570	500 468	1,664 2,038

One prisoner was transferred from the Convict Prison at Maryborough to the Place of Preventive Detention at Maryborough during the year, as compared with 7 in 1914.

The number of committals for drunkenness in 1915 was 5,125 (2,454 men and 2,671 women), showing the large decrease of 2,812, or 35 per cent. on the number for 1914. The number of

women committed for drunkenness in 1915 (2,671) shows a decrease of 179 on the figures for 1914, but is slightly higher than those for 1913 (2,616).

Convict and Local Prisons.

The following Table shows the number of prisoners in Irish Prisons and Bridewells during the last ten years:—

Year.	Number of Prisoners Committed*	Daily Average Number in Custody.			Proportion of Total Daily Average to 100,000 of population.
		Convicts.	Ordinary Prisoners.	Total.	
1906 ...	32,174	248	2,297	2,545	53
1907 ...	32,568	234	2,236	2,470	56
1908 ...	33,208	248	2,234	2,482	57
1909 ...	31,880	243	2,309	2,552	58
1910 ...	29,418	279	2,171	2,450	56
1911 ...	26,844	246	1,967	2,253	51
1912 ...	29,281	286	1,994	2,280	52
1913 ...	25,251	295	1,835	2,130	48
1914 ...	23,222	268	1,637	1,905	43
1915 ...	19,399	202	1,364	1,566	36

* Including those subsequently sentenced to detention in a Borstal Institution or Inebriate Reformatory.

The number of prisoners committed in 1915 and the daily average number in custody have again been the lowest on record. The decrease we attribute mainly to the following causes: (1) the depletion of the male population; (2) the greater prosperity in agricultural, and the higher wages and increased employment in industrial areas; (3) the granting of time for the payment of fines under the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1914.

Imprisonment in Default of Payment of Fine.

The following table shows the number of persons committed to Irish Prisons, in default of payment of fines, during the years 1914 and 1915.

	Imprisoned in default of payment of fine.		Paid fine in full after committal.		Paid part fine after committal.		Total number of prisoners committed after sentence.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
1914 ...	7,176	5,373	315	129	1,154	1,166	12,825	7,299
1915 ...	3,243	4,849	128	100	420	775	8,126	6,893

It will be seen from the above table that the number com-

mitted in 1915 in default of payment of fine shows a very large reduction on the number so committed in 1914. While this reduction is chiefly due to the general reduction in the number of prisoners, it is also owing in a measure to the provisions of the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1914. The operation of this Act is also probably responsible to a large extent for the falling off in the number of prisoners who paid part fine after committal, the proportion of which to the total number committed in default of payment of fine has fallen from 18 per cent. in 1914 to 14·7 per cent. in 1915.

Bridewells.

The number of prisoners committed to Bridewells in 1915 was 372 on remand and 50 under sentence of 3 days or less, making a total of 422. The number committed on remand in 1915 was 198 more, and the number committed on conviction 46 less, than in 1914.

Health and Mortality of Prisoners.

The health of the prisoners has been good. There was practically no infectious disease amongst prisoners during the year.

There were 5 deaths among local prisoners during the year. One of these resulted from uremic coma, one from cerebral hemorrhage, and one was a case of sudden heart failure. In the other two cases death was due to cardiac failure following chronic alcoholism in one case and acute pulmonary congestion in the other. There were no deaths in convict prisons.

Thirty-five prisoners were released on medical grounds from local prisons before the expiration of their sentences, 16 of these being women near their confinement. The number of convicts released on medical grounds was six.

Insane Prisoners.

During the year 53 prisoners were transferred from local prisons to lunatic asylums, being a decrease of 11 on the number so transferred last year. Of these, 45 are reported as having been insane on admission into prison and 2 as probably insane. Of the remainder 2 were found insane by juries, but showed no signs of insanity in prison, and one was a doubtful case. Only 2 were returned as sane on reception into prison. In one of these cases insanity developed in a period of 4 months, and in the other after 8 months.

Five convicts were transferred to the Central Criminal Lunatic Asylum during the year, three of whom had developed insanity in periods of 5 months, 18 months, and 5½ years respectively after reception into prison. Of the remaining two, one is reported as having been mentally oblique, and the other probably insane on reception.

Classification of Prisoners.

The changes in the classification of prisoners introduced by the operation of the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1914, have proved fairly satisfactory. The provisions of the Act seemed to have been imperfectly understood by some of the committing Courts, with the result that in a number of cases old offenders, such as habitual drunkards, were sentenced to imprisonment in the First or Second Division, for which Divisions they are quite unfitted. We are, however, satisfied that, as the provisions of the Act become better known, more care will be taken that the privileges of the First and Second Divisions are extended only to those prisoners for whom they were intended by the Legislature.

Conduct of Prisoners.

The conduct of the prisoners during the year has been good, the proportion of local prisoners punished being practically the same as in 1914, viz.—a little over one per cent.

Prison Industries.

The Industries carried on have, as in the previous year, been maintained with difficulty owing to the very reduced number of prisoners.

As much as possible has been done to utilise the labour available for War industries; over a million sandbags have been manufactured for the War Department, and large numbers of mail bags, required for the postal service, including special bags required for the Expeditionary Force, have been turned out.

The following is a summary of the principal prison employments :—

Tailoring.—The uniforms of the male officers and the clothing of the male prisoners were manufactured in the prisons.

Shoemaking.—Producing the boots and shoes of the prisoners; also leggings, gaiters, pouches, etc., required by the General Post Office.

Weaving.—Producing the frieze, linsey, and blankets required for the prisoners' clothing and bedding.

Mailbag Making.—Producing the Bags required for the Irish Postal Service.

Sandbag Making.—Producing over 1,000,000 Sandbags for the War Department during the war.

Woodcutting.—Producing the firewood required for public offices, also for certain Military Barracks, and supplying the public.

Mat Making.—Producing the mats required for Government Departments and supplying the public.

Stone-breaking.—This employment is confined to Hard Labour Prisoners, and has decreased owing to diversion of labour to war work.

Agriculture.—The farm at Maryborough is closely cultivated, as well as all available plots of ground attached to other Prisons.

Sewing and Knitting.—Producing the uniforms of the female officers, clothing of the female prisoners, and the underclothing, socks, stockings, etc., for both males and females.

Laundrywork.—In some Prisons prisoners are employed on work for outside customers as well as on washing for the prisons and for Government Departments.

Prison Buildings.

During the year the work in connection with the maintenance and upkeep of the Board's establishments has been kept within the narrowest limits possible, and all works of improvement or reconstruction have been suspended owing to the war.

Visiting Committees.

The following table shows the visits paid to local prisons during 1915 by members of the Visiting Committees, for whose valuable assistance we again express our indebtedness :—

Prisons.	Number of Meetings at which two or more members were present.		Number of visits paid by individual Members.	
Armagh	4	9
Belfast,	12	10
Castlebar,	—	3
Cork, Male,	9	6
Cork, Female,	—	6
Dundalk,	5	3
Galway,	—	3
Kilkenny,	4	5
Limerick,	4	6
Londonderry,	12	3
Mountjoy,	13	30
Sligo,	2	1
Tralee,	2	13
Tullamore,	9	16
Waterford,	9	7

During the year one or more of the Visitors appointed by Your Excellency visited Maryborough Convict Prison on nine occasions.

The Visitors appointed for Mountjoy Convict Prison visited on three occasions.

Registration of Criminals.

The "Register of Convicts and Habitual Criminals" was further increased in the course of the year by the addition of 147 names of prisoners belonging to these classes.

711 names were added to the "Supplemental Register," which is composed of the names of persons who have been sentenced at least to one month at Assizes or Quarter Sessions and above one month by Courts of Summary Jurisdiction for various specified offences.

The police applied during the year to have finger prints taken in 244 instances where they were unacquainted with the antecedents of remand prisoners. This course resulted in the discovery in this office that 82 of these had been previously convicted.

Preventive Detention.

The number transferred into this class during the year was 1, and the number discharged to the care of guardians was 6, the number remaining at the end of the year being 6.

Borstal Institution.

The number of juvenile adults committed to the Borstal Institution during the year 1915 was 80, and 27 were released on licence.

The work of the Institution continues to make good progress. This is shown by the fact that the proportion of those discharged since the establishment of the Institution who, as the result of careful inquiry, are known to be doing well, is as high as 80 per cent.

Besides the inmates released on licence during the year, 48 other inmates who, with the consent of their parents or guardians, had volunteered for service in the Army, were released by Your Excellency for that purpose. Up to the present 75 inmates have joined the Army direct from the Institution since the outbreak of the war, and many other released on licence have also joined, about 270 ex-inmates in all being now serving with H.M. Forces. We are glad to be able to record that the conduct of these youths in the Army has been very good, and several have distinguished themselves by gallantry in the field. Up to the present 13 of them have been killed in action or have died of wounds.

We alluded in our last report to the facilities given by the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1914, for the committal

to a Borstal Institution of youths convicted by Courts of Summary Jurisdiction. Very little advantage seems to have been taken by these Courts of the provisions of the new Act, and we cannot but think that there are many youths convicted repeatedly of petty offences, and drifting steadily to a life of crime, who might, with beneficial results, be afforded the decided chance of reformation which the Borstal system provides.

Having regard to the character and circumstances of the boys committed to the Borstal Institution, we notice with regret that some of the committing Courts do not impose sentences of sufficient length to enable the boy to get the full benefit of the training. We desire to draw attention to the fact that the giving of the full sentence of 3 years does not necessarily mean that the inmate will be detained for that period. A boy committed for 3 years might gain his discharge in six months if he showed himself fit for discharge, and if there appeared to be a reasonable probability of his abstaining from crime and leading a useful and industrious life. Committing courts, in giving the full sentence of 3 years, can do so with the complete assurance that the boy will not be detained in the Institution a day longer than his interests require.

State Inebriate Reformatory.

During the year 9 inmates (5 males and 4 females) were committed under sentences of detention to Ennis State Inebriate Reformatory. In addition, 3 females were received on transfer from a Certified Inebriate Reformatory, and 2 males were recommitted on revocation of licence.

During the same period 11 inmates (4 males and 7 females) were discharged on expiration of sentence, 2 females were released on licence, and one male and one female were released on commutation of sentence.

The daily average number in custody in 1915 was 31, the daily average number for 1914 having been 28.

The number discharged up to 31st December, 1915, after undergoing a course of treatment in the Reformatory was 100 men and 154 women—total, 254.

Prison Staff.

The conduct and efficiency of the prison staff during the year have been very good.

During the year a further number of prison officers joined H.M. Forces, and there are now 4 superior and 44 subordinate officers serving in the Navy or Army. Besides these, the follow-

ing officers were, we much regret to report, killed in action or died of wounds : —

Ordinary Warder James Clanachan,
Ordinary Warder James O'Neill,
Ordinary Warder Michael McGrath,
Ordinary Warder John P. Gooraven.

We have pleasure in recording that one of our Medical Officers, Captain B. J. Hackett, M.B., R.A.M.C., was awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry in October, 1915.

During the year the Imperial Service Medal was awarded to the undermentioned officers, who retired after more than 25 years' meritorious service, viz :—

Ordinary Warder John Kenefick,
Ordinary Warder Edmond Fennessy,
1st Class Trade Warder William Abraham,
1st Class Warder Thomas Ogle,
Ordinary Warder James Scales,
Ordinary Warder John J. Cassidy.

Expenditure,

Particulars of the expenditure, &c., during the past and previous years are given in the Appendix.

In conclusion, we desire to express regret at the delay in submitting our Annual Report, which has been due to circumstances over which we had no control.

We have the honour to be,
Your Excellency's obedient Servants,

MAX S. GREEN,
Chairman.

MACDERMOT,
Vice-Chairman.

D. EDGAR FLINN.

APPENDIX.

PART I.

PRISONS.

TABLE I.—RETURN of COMMITTEES to the several PRISONS

PRISONS.	COMMITTED.					
	On Remand and afterwards Discharged.	For trial at Assizes and Quarter Sessions and in the result.				After conviction at Assizes and Quarter Sessions (not previously in Prison).
		Tried and Convicted.	Tried and Acquitted.	Re-maining untried at end of year.	Otherwise disposed of.	
TOTAL M. & F. : Local Prisoners Convicts ..	3,428 —	583 —	184 —	80 —	16 —	87 —
						12,561 —

MALES.

LOCAL PRISONS.							
Armagh ..	123	20	6	1	1	3	223
Belfast ..	408	123	11	11	2	5	1,559
Castlebar ..	11	7	1	—	—	1	60
Cork, Male ..	154	50	22	6	2	10	500
Dundalk ..	41	1	3	—	—	2	56
Galway ..	67	10	—	3	—	4	164
Kilkenny ..	73	6	4	3	—	1	187
Limerick ..	312	17	6	10	1	6	335
Londonderry ..	257	28	10	4	1	10	359
Mountjoy ..	1,274	149	32	13	2	32	1,618
Sligo ..	69	10	11	5	1	3	173
Tralee ..	62	14	—	—	—	2	311
Tullamore ..	30	9	5	2	3	3	169
Waterford ..	196	22	14	2	1	—	372
CONVICT PRISONS.							
Maryborough ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mountjoy ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total Males ..	3,077	466	134	65	14	82	5,947

FEMALES.

LOCAL PRISONS.							
Armagh ..	7	4	1	1	—	1	169
Belfast ..	55	12	8	2	—	1	1,096
Castlebar ..	2	3	—	—	—	—	45
Cork, Female ..	10	5	8	1	1	—	425
Galway ..	7	1	1	—	—	1	92
Limerick ..	9	7	1	1	—	1	162
Londonderry ..	5	5	3	—	1	—	374
Mountjoy ..	228	41	18	5	—	1	2,947
Sligo ..	4	1	2	3	—	—	118
Tralee ..	10	1	3	—	—	—	134
Tullamore ..	4	2	—	—	—	—	104
Waterford ..	10	5	5	2	—	—	342
CONVICT PRISON.							
Mountjoy ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total Females ..	351	117	50	15	2	5	6,664

* This number consists for the most part of

from 1st January, 1915, to 31st December, 1915.

COMMITTED.

Went of Surreies.	Naval and Military Offenders.	Re- maining on Remand at end of year.	Other Classes.	Total Commit- ments (ex- cluding Debtors and Prisoners under Civil Process).	Debtors and Prisoners under Civil Process.	GROSS TOTAL.	PRISONS.
500	1,226	120	49*	18,833	146	18,976	TOTAL M. & F. Local Prisoners. Convicts.
-	-	-	4	4	-	4	

MALES.

							LOCAL PRISONS.
20	-	4	-	401	3	404	Armagh.
73	844	12	17	3,066	41	3,097	Belfast.
4	-	2	-	86	-	86	Castlebar.
46	50	8	6	850	7	856	Cork, Male.
6	92	-	3	234	1	235	Dundalk.
-	16	10	-	274	-	274	Galway.
3	-	4	-	231	7	238	Kilkenny.
22	24	7	-	746	13	759	Limerick.
6	41	8	1	733	6	739	Londonderry.
74	152	37	16	3,390	56	3,426	Mountjoy.
11	1	3	-	296	8	304	Sligo.
26	-	7	-	422	2	424	Tralee.
20	-	3	-	234	6	240	Tullamore.
6	-	2	-	515	8	523	Waterford.
-	-	-	4	4	-	4	CONVICT PRISONS
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Maryborough.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mountjoy.
316	1,226	107	47	11,431	138	11,619	Total Males.

FEMALES.

							LOCAL PRISONS.
7	-	-	-	190	-	190	Armagh.
54	-	5	1	1,858	1	1,859	Belfast.
-	-	-	-	50	-	50	Castlebar.
32	-	-	-	482	-	482	Cork, Female.
1	-	1	-	104	-	104	Galway.
6	-	-	-	187	-	187	Limerick.
-	-	1	-	391	1	392	Londonderry.
64	-	10	5	3,319	4	3,323	Mountjoy.
2	-	1	-	131	-	131	Sligo.
10	-	-	-	158	2	160	Tralee.
1	-	-	-	111	-	111	Tullamore.
7	-	1	-	372	-	372	Waterford.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	CONVICT PRISON.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mountjoy.
184	-	19	6	7,333	8	7,361	Total Females.

prisoners committed for quasi-criminal offences.

TABLE II.—REVIEW OF ALL PRISONERS RECEIVED INTO LOCAL AND CONVICT PRISONS, AND OF THEIR DISPOSAL, DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1915.

[illegible]

depends on a number of factors:

Prisons.	MALES.					FEMALES.					Total Daily Average Number of Prisoners.
	Ordinary Cells.	Smaller Cells available if required.	Greatest Number of Prisoners.	Least Number of Prisoners.	Daily Average Number of Prisoners.	Ordinary Cells.	Smaller Cells available if required.	Greatest Number of Prisoners.	Least Number of Prisoners.	Daily Average Number of Prisoners.	
<i>Local Prisons.</i>											
Armagh	71	—	87	16	35	47	—	59	4	34	46
Belfast	443	—	279	149	199	133	—	157	25	123	342
Charlton	3	45	57	—	8	4	13	8	—	5	15
Cork, Male	43	214	169	42	54	—	—	—	—	—	53
Cork, Female	—	—	—	—	—	59	94	97	18	45	48
Dundalk	123	4	139	3	44	—	—	—	—	—	44
Galway	73	24	84	7	34	11	11	17	2	7	35
Kilmainham	154	14	20	11	39	—	—	—	—	—	39
Kilmainham *	199	58	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lancaster	37	58	69	19	45	30	—	38	5	33	61
Liverpool	34	115	78	27	59	10	39	47	14	21	42
Longbridge	34	55	78	27	59	10	39	47	14	21	42
Mountjoy †	480	55	334	189	268	204	204	253	25	155	424
Sligo	21	55	42	14	25	5	17	28	2	10	35
Tralee	10	58	48	16	19	1	13	22	2	5	22
Waterford	55	55	55	4	35	2	24	34	2	12	37
Wexford	10	73	91	18	35	16	24	33	4	25	37
Total in Local Prisons	1,546	411	—	—	1,043	587	349	—	—	422	1,376
<i>General Prisons.</i>											
Marborough	187	64	235	149	159	—	—	—	—	—	159
Mountjoy ‡	—	—	1	1	1	—	—	14	12	14	15
Total in General Prisons	187	64	—	—	160	—	—	—	—	14	165
GRAND TOTAL	1,733	475	—	—	1,203	587	349	—	—	436	1,541

* The account of prisoners in this prison was discontinued on 28th February, 1911.

† The accommodation for Convicts in Mountjoy General Prison is included in the figures opposite Mountjoy Local Prison.

‡ In addition to this number, there was a daily average of 30 inmates in South State Institute for the Deaf, a daily average of 25 inmates in the Central Institution, Channel, and a daily average of 1 prisoner undergoing sentence of Preventive Detention during the year. There was also a daily average of 1-14 prisoners in the five Institutions at Belfast, Carr, Longdown, Muller, and Newry.

§ This number includes a daily average of 1 male convict undergoing three periods of separate confinement.

Grand Prison Board, Belfast

TABLE IV.—SENTENCES ON PRISONERS committed during the Year ended 31st December, 1915.

Cumulative sentences are returned as equal to their united length. Concurrent sentences are returned as equal to one of them, or to the longer when they are of unequal lengths.)

Period of Sentence		Convicted Criminal Prisoners (including Court-Martial Prisoners).		Non-Criminal Prisoners.		Total
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
PENAL SERVITUDE.						
Death (Commuted) ...	...	3	1	—	—	4
20 years ...	...	—	—	—	—	—
12 " ...	...	—	—	—	—	—
10 " ...	...	3	—	—	—	3
9 " ...	...	—	—	—	—	—
8 " ...	...	—	—	—	—	—
7 " ...	...	3	—	—	—	3
6 " ...	...	—	—	—	—	—
5 " ...	...	4	—	—	—	4
4 " ...	...	3	—	—	—	3
3 " ...	...	21*	—	—	—	31
Total	...	37	1	—	—	38
IMPRISONMENT.						
Over 2 years ...	...	—	—	—	—	—
24 months, and over 23 months	...	24	—	—	—	24
23 " " 22 " "	...	—	—	—	—	—
22 " " 21 " "	...	1	—	—	—	1
21 " " 20 " "	...	—	—	—	—	—
20 " " 19 " "	...	—	—	—	—	—
19 " " 18 " "	...	—	—	—	—	—
18 " " 17 " "	...	15	—	—	—	15
17 " " 16 " "	...	—	—	—	—	—
16 " " 15 " "	...	—	—	—	—	—
15 " " 14 " "	...	8	1	—	—	7
14 " " 13 " "	...	1	—	—	—	1
13 " " 12 " "	...	1	—	—	—	1
12 " " 11 " "	...	123	11	2	1	137
11 " " 10 " "	...	—	—	—	—	—
10 " " 9 " "	...	2	—	—	—	2
9 " " 8 " "	...	44	4	—	—	48
8 " " 7 " "	...	21	2	—	—	23
7 " " 6 " "	...	7	2	—	—	9
6 " " 5 " "	...	331	114	11	—	456
5 " " 4 " "	...	39	1	2	—	42
4 " " 3 " "	...	142	47	2	1	192
3 " " 11 weeks	...	488	261	32	45	826
11 weeks " 10 " "	...	6	41	—	—	47
10 " " 9 " "	...	4	5	—	—	9
9 " " 8 " "	...	527	321	55	16	919
8 " " 7 " "	...	59	32	6	3	100
7 " " 6 " "	...	5	27	—	—	32
6 " " 5 " "	...	184	94	24	1	283
5 " " 4 " "	...	1,404	2,101	169	64	3,738
4 " " 3 " "	...	431	178	25	15	649
3 " " 2 " "	...	212	32	10	2	256
2 " " 1 week	...	1,210	1,212	62	19	2,503
1 week ...	...	1,950	1,828	44	27	3,847
6 days ...	...	8	—	—	—	8
5 " ...	...	17	—	—	—	17
4 " ...	...	242	303	16	2	563
3 " ...	...	140	77	14	—	231
2 " ...	...	10	1	1	—	12
1 day ...	...	1	—	—	—	1
Period not specified	...	—	—	16	2	18
Total Sentences of Imprisonment.		7,635	6,693	491	198	15,017
GRAND TOTAL		7,872	6,894	491	198	15,055

* In one of these cases the sentence was ordered to be followed by a period of 5 years Preventive Detention.

TABLE V.—NUMBER OF CRIMINAL PRISONERS COMMITTED ON CONVICTION TO LOCAL PRISONS OR DIRECT TO CONVICT PRISONS, DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1893, AND THE NUMBER OF PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS INCURRED BY SUCH PRISONERS ALSO THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS WHO HAD NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY CONVICTED.—COURT MARTIAL PRISONERS EXCLUDED.

Criminal Prisons Board, Ireland.

—	Total Number committed on conviction to Local Prisons, or received direct into Court Martial Prisons.		Number who had been previously convicted																		Number who had not been previously convicted		Number who when previously convicted received a sentence of Transportation, or Penal Servitude.					
			Once						Twice		Three		Four times		Five times		Six to Ten times		More than Ten times						Above Twenty times		Totals.	
			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.					M.	F.	M.	F.
Imprisonment	6,412	6,696	100	106	464	381	818	871	109	103	347	357	150	754	620	114	1,660	1,807	4,899	5,946	1,403	740	218	21				
Penal Servitude	37	4	4	—	3	—	1	—	2	—	1	—	3	—	7	—	1	—	20	—	4	4	14	—				
Total	6,449	6,700	104	106	467	381	819	871	111	103	348	357	153	754	627	114	1,661	1,807	4,919	5,946	1,407	744	232	21				

TABLE VI.—PARTICULARS of PRISONERS RELEASED ON MEDICAL GROUNDS from LOCAL and CONVICT PRISONS during the Year ended 31st December, 1911.

(See paragraph 136 of Report of Royal Commission on Irish Prisons, 1884.)

Prisons.	Age and Sex.	Date of first admission to Prison.	Date of release.	Place to which removed.	Cause of removal.	Whether originally noted before or after admission.
LOCAL PRISONS.						
Belfast ..	79	29. 4. 15	7. 5. 15	Belfast Union ..	Cardiac Failure ..	Before.
Do. ..	43	1. 6. 15	21. 6. 15	Home ..	Advanced Pregnancy ..	—
Do. ..	21	16. 8. 15	12. 10. 15	do. ..	do. ..	—
Do. ..	29	17. 12. 15	18. 12. 15	do. ..	do. ..	—
Castlebar ..	19	13. 4. 15	25. 2. 15	do. ..	Tendency to Tuberculosis ..	Before.
Cork for Males.	17	16. 3. 15	27. 4. 15	Cork Fever Hospital ..	Scarlet Fever ..	After.
Do. ..	59	14. 9. 15	17. 11. 15	—	Advanced Cardiac Disease ..	Before.
Do. ..	35	11. 10. 15	17. 11. 15	Cork Dist. Hospital ..	Dropsy and Oedema of Legs ..	—
Do. ..	23	11. 12. 15	20. 12. 15	do. ..	Syphilis and Phagedenic Ulcer of Prepuce ..	do.
Cork, Female	37	14. 1. 15	27. 1. 15	do. ..	Angina Pectoris ..	do.
Do. ..	32	18. 0. 15	19. 7. 15	Went to friends ..	Advanced Pregnancy ..	—
Do. ..	22	7. 0. 15	29. 8. 15	do. ..	do. ..	—
Do. ..	30	10. 7. 15	28. 7. 15	Home ..	do. ..	—
Do. ..	30	9. 7. 15	3. 10. 15	Union Hospital, Cashel ..	do. ..	—
Galway ..	20	23. 3. 15	31. 7. 15	Went to friends ..	do. ..	—
Kilkenney ..	28	20. 5. 15	21. 6. 15	Home ..	Tuberculosis ..	Before.
Limerick ..	21	18. 5. 15	26. 6. 15	Kilkenney Union Hospital ..	Appendicitis ..	After.
Londonderry ..	34	7. 6. 15	10. 6. 15	Limerick Union Hospital ..	Advanced Pregnancy ..	—
Do. ..	28	19. 4. 15	9. 7. 15	Glenlies Union Hospital ..	do. ..	—
Do. ..	34	22. 9. 15	27. 9. 15	Home ..	do. ..	—
Mountjoy ..	20	30. 6. 15	23. 1. 15	Derry Union Hospital ..	do. ..	—
Do. ..	75	26. 2. 15	27. 3. 15	North Dublin Union Hospital ..	Tubercular Disease ..	Before.
Do. ..	43	18. 9. 15	25. 9. 15	South Dublin Union Hospital ..	Nephritis, Weak Heart, and Bronchitis ..	do.
Do. ..	22	2. 1. 15	12. 1. 15	North Dublin Union Hospital ..	Lesion of the Brain ..	do.
Do. ..	32	23. 1. 15	8. 2. 15	Lock Hospital, Dublin ..	Advanced Pregnancy ..	—
Do. ..	22	8. 3. 15	9. 3. 15	Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Dublin ..	Appendicitis ..	Before.
Do. ..	21	24. 3. 15	30. 3. 15	do. ..	Pyrexia, Weak Heart ..	do.
Do. ..	31	19. 11. 14	3. 4. 15	Home ..	Advanced Pregnancy ..	—
Do. ..	29	20. 6. 15	31. 7. 15	do. ..	do. ..	—
Do. ..	38	10. 8. 15	9. 9. 15	Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, Dublin ..	Hæmorrhage of Ear ..	Before.
Do. ..	32	14. 10. 15	26. 10. 15	O'Connell Hospital, Dublin ..	Uterine Hæmorrhage ..	do.
Do. ..	31	29. 10. 15	20. 11. 15	Richmond Hospital, Dublin ..	Appendicitis ..	do.
Sligo ..	53	17. 0. 15	7. 9. 15	North Dublin Union Hospital ..	Advanced Pregnancy ..	—
Waterford ..	52	5. 12. 14	19. 4. 15	Union Hospital, Sligo ..	Hydrated Cyst ..	do.
Do. ..	28	18. 8. 15	20. 8. 15	To her daughter's home ..	Loss of sight ..	do.
CONVICT PRISON.						
Maryboro' ..	34	21. 6. 15	29. 1. 15	Union Hospital, Waterford ..	Uterine Hæmorrhage ..	do.
Do. ..	44	22. 5. 15	27. 4. 15	Richmond Hospital, Dublin ..	Tumour of Mouth, "Epulis" ..	After.
Do. ..	53	4. 7. 15	3. 8. 15	do. ..	Strumous Disease of Left Ankle ..	do.
Do. ..	34	13. 9. 11	13. 5. 15	do. ..	Hydrated Cyst, Watery Tumour of Liver ..	Before.
Do. ..	30	23. 2. 15	6. 8. 15	Co. Infirmary, Maryboro' ..	Threatened with Appendicitis ..	After.
Do. ..	51	1. 5. 14	24. 8. 15	Home ..	Lang more or less solid and suffers from Asthmatic attacks ..	do.
Do. ..	51	1. 5. 14	24. 8. 15	Lurgan Union Workhouse ..	Paralysis of Leg, Arm, Face, and Tongue ..	Before.

TABLE VII.—DEATHS in LOCAL and CONVICT PRISONS and their CAUSES during the Year ended 31st December, 1915:

Prison.	Age at Death and Sex.	Date of first admission to Prison.	Sentence.	Date of Death.	Cause of Death.	Whether disease originated before or after reception into Prison.
M.	F.					
LOCAL PRISONS.						
Belfast ..	66	31. 8. 15	1 C. M. or 4ls.	4. 9. 15	Cardiac Failure following Chronic Alcoholism.	Before
Do. ..	42	18. 11. 15	1 C. M. H. L. ..	22. 11. 15	Cardiac Failure and Acute Pulmonary Congestion.	After.
Cork, Male		7. 12. 15	15 C. Mos. H. L.	25. 12. 15	Heart Failure	do.
Limerick ..	64	6. 7. 15	2 C. Mths. Impt.	31. 8. 15	Uræmic Coma	do.
Londonderry	65	18. 5. 15	7 Days Impt. 12s. 6d.	22. 5. 15	Cerebral Haemorrhage (with thickened arteries).	Before-do.
CONVICT PRISONS.						
NR.						

TABLE VIII.—PARTICULARS of each case of INSANITY amongst Prisoners in LOCAL and CONVICT PRISONS, during Year ended 31st December, 1915.

(See paragraph 136 of Report of Royal Commission on Irish Prisons, 1884.)

LOCAL PRISONS.

Date of first admission to Prison.	Mental condition on first admission to Prison.	Whether previously insane.	Form of insanity.	Date of removal.	Place to which removed.
ARMAGH.					
1. 1. 15	Insane ..	Not known	Delusions ..	6. 1. 15	Dist. Asylum, Armagh.
6. 3. 15	do. ..	do. ..	Impulsive ..	19. 3. 15	do.
				16. 7. 15	Criminal Asylum, Dandrum.
BELFAST.					
11. 1. 15	Insane ..	Not known	General Paralysis of the Insane.	21. 1. 15	Dist. Asylum, Belfast.
14. 1. 15	do. ..	do. ..	Delusional Mania ..	16. 3. 15	Dist. Asylum, Downpatrick.
2. 2. 15	do. ..	Yes ..	Semi-Imbecile ..	18. 3. 15	Dist. Asylum, Antrim.
19. 4. 15	do. ..	do. ..	Mental Weakness ..	31. 5. 15	Dist. Asylum, Belfast.
25. 5. 15	do. ..	do. ..	Delusional ..	14. 7. 15	do.
7. 5. 15	do. ..	do. ..	Moral ..	30. 8. 15	do.
16. 5. 15	do. ..	Not known	Melancholia ..	19. 9. 15	do.
CORK (MALE).					
5. 5. 14	Insane ..	Not known	Chronic Mania ..	11. 3. 15	Dist. Asylum, Cork.
4. 5. 15	do. ..	do. ..	Dementia ..	6. 7. 15	do.
24. 8. 15	do. ..	do. ..	do. ..	7. 9. 15	do.
23. 9. 15	do. ..	do. ..	Acute Melancholia ..	24. 9. 15	do.
3. 9. 15	do. ..	Yes ..	Recurrent Melancholia	28. 10. 15	do.

TABLE VIII.—PARTICULARS of each case of INSANITY amongst Prisoners in LOCAL and CONVICT PRISONS, during Year ended 31st December, 1915.—*continued.*

(See paragraph 136 of Report of Royal Commission on Irish Prisons, 1884.)

LOCAL PRISONS.

Date of first admission to Prison.	Mental condition on first admission to Prison.	Whether previously insane.	Form of insanity.	Date of removal.	Place to which removed.
CORK (FEMALE).					
10.12.15	Insane ..	Not known	Acute Melancholia ..	16.12.15	Dist. Asylum, Cork.
GALWAY.					
11.11.15	Insane ..	Not known	Dementia ..	2.12.15	Dist. Asylum, Ballinasloe.
LIMERICK.					
20. 4.15	Insane ..	Not known	Mania ..	24. 4.15	Dist. Asylum, Limerick.
14. 4.15	Sane*	No ..	Puerperal Mania ..	13. 7.15	Dist. Asylum, Ennis.
13. 7.15	Probably insane.	Yes ..	Recurrent Delusional Insanity.	12. 9.15	Dist. Asylum, Limerick.
				11.	Criminal Asylum, Dundrum.
8.11.15	Insane ..	Yes ..	Melancholia ..	6.12.15	District Asylum, Ballinasloe.
LONDONDERRY.					
30.11.14	Probably Insane.	Not known	Delusional Mania ..	16. 2.15	Dist. Asylum, Derry.
20.4.15	Insane ..	do. ..	do. ..	4. 5.15	do.
21. 5.15	do. ..	Yes ..	Recurrent Mania ..	26. 6.15	do.
29. 6.15	do. ..	No ..	Delusional ..	7. 7.15	do.
29. 7.15	do. ..	Not known	do. ..	31. 7.15	do.
11. 8.15	do. ..	No ..	Acute Mania ..	16. 8.15	do.
28. 8.15	do. ..	Not known	Melancholia with Delusions.	11. 9.15	do.
29. 9.15	Showed no symptoms of Insanity.	do. ..	Delusional ..	4.11.15	do. *
9.12.15	Insane ..	Yes ..	Delusional and Suicidal Mania.	18.12.15	do.
MOUNTJOY.					
20. 4.15	Insane ..	Not known	Delusional ..	25. 5.15	Richmond Dist. Asylum, Dublin.
1. 7.15	do. ..	Yes ..	Congenital Mental Deficiency.	14. 7.15	Criminal Asylum, Dundrum.
30. 7.15	do. ..	Yes ..	Epileptic ..	18. 8.15	I.—Richmond Dist. Asylum, Dublin.
				2. 12.15	II.—Criminal Asylum, Dundrum.
10. 9.15	do. ..	Not known	Dementia ..	16. 9.15	Richmond Dist. Asylum, Dublin.
7. 9.15	do. ..	do. ..	Delusional ..	27.10.15	Criminal Asylum, Dundrum.
4. 8.15	do. ..	do. ..	Congenital	10.12.15	do.
1. 3.15	do. ..	Yes ..	Mania ..	6. 3.15	Richmond Dist. Asylum, Dublin.
8. 5.15	do. ..	Yes ..	do. ..	19. 6.15	do.
28. 5.15	do. ..	Not known	do. ..	21. 7.15	do.
20.10.15	do. ..	Yes ..	Delusional ..	23.10.15	do.

* This prisoner was found by a jury to have been insane at time of committing offence. She showed no signs of insanity while in prison.

† Found by a Jury to be of unsound mind, and incapable of pleading.

TABLE VIII.—PARTICULARS of each case of INSANITY amongst PRISONERS in LOCAL and CONVICT PRISONS, during Year ended 31st December, 1915.—*continued.*

(See paragraph 136 of Report of Royal Commission on Irish Prisons, 1884.)

LOCAL PRISONS.

Date of first admission to Prison.	Mental condition on first admission to Prison.	Whether previously insane.	Form of Insanity.	Date of removal.	Place to which removed.
SLIGO.					
25. 7.15	Insane ..	Yes ..	Melancholia ..	I. 2. 8.15 II.* 7.10.15 9.12.15	Dist. Asylum, Ballinasloe. do. Dist. Asylum, Sligo.
26. 9.15	do. ..	Yes ..	do. ..		
TRALEER.					
28. 3.15	Insane ..	Yes ..	Amentia ..	11.3.15	Dist. Asylum, Kilmaree.
29. 3.15	Doubtful ..	—	Delusional ..	18. 3.15	do.
3. 3.15	Insane ..	No ..	Dementia ..	24. 3.15	do.
20. 8.14	Sane† ..	No ..	Smoked ..	23. 4.15	do.
21. 1.15	do.‡ ..	No ..	Delusional ..	29. 5.15	do.
26. 7.15	Insane ..	Yes ..	do. ..	29. 7.15	do.
TULLAMORE.					
26.12.14	Insane ..	Not known	Delusional ..	16. 1.15	Dist. Asylum, Maryboro'.
WATERFORD.					
21.11.14	Insane, Imbecile.	Not known	Imbecile ..	28. 1.15	Dist. Asylum, Clonmel.
1. 1.15	Insane ..	do. ..	Chronic Mania ..	17. 1.15	Dist. Asylum, Waterford.
14. 4.15	do. ..	do. ..	Acute Melancholia ..	19. 4.15	do.
21. 3.15	do. ..	do. ..	Delusional ..	15. 7.15	Criminal Asylum, Dundrum.

* Brought up for trial from asylum and found insane by Jury.

† Insanity appeared 11.4.15.

‡ Insanity appeared 19.5.15.

§ Included in last year's return.

Was brought up for trial from asylum, found by the Jury to be insane, and re-committed to asylum.

CONVICT PRISONS.

MARYBORO'.					
1. 7.14	Sane*	Yes ..	Recurrent Mania ..	14. 1.15	Criminal Asylum, Dundrum.
28. 1.14	do.† ..	Yes ..	Mania ..	27. 7.15	do.
2. 8.15	Mentally Oblique.	No ..	do. ..	10. 9.15	do.
MOUNTJOY.					
28. 6.15	Sane ..	Yes ..	Mania ..	28.10.15	Criminal Asylum, Dundrum.
7. 7.15	Probably Insane	Yes ..	Recurrent Mania ..	6.12.15	do.

* Insanity appeared 4.1.15.

† Insanity appeared 1.7.15.

‡ Insanity appeared 6.10.15.

NOTE.—In addition to the above, 11 prisoners committed to Local Prisons on removal were, on being brought up at Courts of Summary Jurisdiction, sent therefrom direct to lunatic asylums.

TABLE IX.—RETURN OF RESTRAINTS, PRISON OFFENCES, AND PUNISHMENTS

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(See paragraph 93 of Report of Royal

PRISON.	Corporal Punishment†	NUMBER OF CASES OF												Loss of Day or Privilege.
		Use of Body Belt.	Irons (Hand-cuffs).		Muffs with Straps or Restraint Jackets.		Close Confinement in Punishment Cells or special Cells for Refractory Prisoners.		Close Confinement in ordinary Cells.		Dietary Punishment.			
TOTAL M. & F.	1	-	-		41		67		312		388		97	
	M.	M.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
LOCAL PRISONS.														
Armagh ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4	-	-	-
Belfast ..	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	85	4	86	4	9	1
Castlebar ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-
Cork Male ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	24	-	-	-
Cork Female ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dundalk ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	2	-
Galway ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	2	6	2	1	-
Kilkenny ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-
Limerick ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	1	-	-
Londonderry ..	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	3	19	1	19	2	11	1
Mountjoy ..	-	-	-	-	1	4	-	-	113	10	128	9	34	4
Sligo ..	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	6	-	6	-	-	-
Trillick ..	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	10	2	3	-	-	-
Tullamore ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	1	1	-
Waterford ..	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	4	3	4	3	2	-
TOTAL LOCAL PRISONS.	-	-	-	-	11	8	-	3	281	23	292	22	60	1
† NET TOTAL DO. (Cols. a, b, c).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CONVICT PRISONS.														
Maryborough ..	1	-	-	-	6	-	63	-	-	-	75	-	24	-
Mountjoy ..	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	1	-	8	-	6	1	4
TOTAL CONVICT PRISONS.	1	-	-	-	6	16	63	1	-	8	75	6	25	4
† NET TOTAL DO. (Cols. a, b, c).	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* These totals do not agree with the total prison population, as, in consequence of year, or counted as a prisoner not punished, and

† i.e., After deduction of cases of prisoners transferred during

‡ In Irish Prisons corporal punishment for prison

in LOCAL and CONVICT PRISONS from 1st January, 1915, to 31st December, 1915.

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(a) Total number of Prisoners punished.		(b) Number of Prisoners not punished.		(c) Total number of Prisoners during the Year. Columns (a and b).		Prison Offences.										Prisons.
						Violence	Escapes and Attempts to Escape.	Idleness.	Other Breaches of Regula- tions.	Total Offences						
216		20,403		20,749		84		1		111		316		512		TOTAL M. & F.
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
LOCAL PRISONS.																
4	-	441	215	445	215	3	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	7	-	Armagh. Belfast.
18	4	3,195	1,859	3,263	1,854	10	1	-	-	20	-	52	3	38	4	
2	-	98	55	100	55	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	Castlebar.
12	-	917	-	939	-	4	-	-	-	12	-	9	-	25	-	Cork Male. Cork Female.
-	1	-	578	-	579	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	
4	-	426	-	430	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	4	-	Dundalk. Galway.
7	2	278	103	285	110	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	2	7	2	
1	-	258	-	260	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	Kilkenny.
2	1	800	103	811	194	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	5	2	Limerick.
11	2	790	424	773	426	2	2	-	-	10	-	25	1	37	3	Londonderry. Mountjoy.
12	11	3,623	3,423	3,745	3,423	13	5	-	-	37	-	94	5	144	11	
5	-	332	144	337	144	2	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	8	-	Sligo. Tralee.
8	1	430	163	459	164	3	-	-	-	-	-	10	2	13	2	
1	1	261	117	264	118	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	3	1	Tullamore. Waterford.
6	5	543	379	549	384	-	2	-	-	1	-	9	6	10	8	
29	24	12,391	7,748	12,660	7,776	38	11	-	-	99	-	227	23	355	34	TOTAL LOCAL PRISONS.
35	28	12,395	7,505	12,534	7,533	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NET TOTAL DO. (Cols. a, b, c).
CONVICT PRISONS.																
8	-	247	-	250	-	29	-	1	-	21	-	59	-	110	-	Maryborough. Mountjoy.
1	5	1	16	2	21	7	5	-	-	-	-	-	7	1	12	
44	5	248	16	292	21	36	5	1	-	31	-	69	7	111	12	TOTAL CONVICT PRISONS.
44	5	247	16	291	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NET TOTAL DO. (Cols. a, b, c).

Notes, the same prisoner may be punished in more than one prison during the year opposite two prisons in columns (a) or (b).

If more than one prison to another, and so counted twice.

Prisoners may be inflicted on convicts only.

TABLE X.—Return showing the Expenditure of the Establishments for Staff and Maintenance, in the

	TOTALS.	MOUNTJOY. (Convict and local Prison).	MARYBOROUGH (Convict Prison and Place of Preventive Detention).	CLOMMEL Reformatory Institution.
Daily average number of prisoners.	MALES 1,141 FEMALES 519 Total 1,660	M. 238 F. 193	M. 172	M. 52
A.—COST OF STAFF.				
Pay and allowances of officers, including uniforms, &c., and fine fund.	£ s. d. 47,705 8 8	£ s. d. 8,699 9 4	£ s. d. 7,185 11 10	£ s. d. 1,978 7 8
Average annual charge per prisoner.	28 14 10	19 5 9	41 15 6	38 0 2
B.—MAINTENANCE OF PRISONERS.				
Victualling for prisoners ..	13,775 12 5	3,329 16 4	2,387 13 1	681 2 6
Medicines, surgical instruments, &c.	343 2 2	102 18 5	37 8 10	3 6 6
Fuel, light, and water ..	11,071 5 8	2,877 4 9	1,493 15 5	331 2 0
Soap, scouring, and cleaning articles.	663 11 4	150 18 3	91 5 2	28 1 7
Clothing for prisoners ..	2,779 5 5	534 2 5	735 4 9	128 17 3
Bedding for prisoners ..	390 15 11	59 17 8	72 19 10	38 2 2
Furniture, kitchen utensils, crockery, &c.	368 0 4	60 0 1	52 6 1	36 5 6
TOTAL EXPENSES OF MAINTENANCE.	29,391 19 3	7,123 17 11	4,870 13 2	1,292 10 11
AVERAGE ANNUAL CHARGE PER PRISONER.	17 14 1	15 15 11	28 6 4	24 17 3
		DUNDEE.	GALWAY.	KILKENNY.
Daily average number of prisoners ..		M. 00	M. 20 F. 8	M. 18
A.—COST OF STAFF.				
Pay and allowances of officers, including uniforms, &c., and fine fund.		£ s. d. 1,685 19 11	£ s. d. 1,324 12 3	£ s. d. 1,378 6 7
Average annual charge per prisoner ..		28 2 0	47 6 2	78 11 6
B.—MAINTENANCE OF PRISONERS.				
Victualling for prisoners ..		448 8 7	223 10 2	146 7 7
Medicines, surgical instruments, &c.		11 14 7	10 11 3	12 11 9
Fuel, light, and water ..		232 16 2	340 13 10	452 17 2
Soap, scouring and cleaning articles ..		21 15 11	16 10 3	7 7 0
Clothing for prisoners ..		62 6 4	28 19 7	6 13 10
Bedding for prisoners ..		21 0 1	0 10 11	—
Furniture, kitchen utensils, crockery, &c. ..		10 17 5	11 15 1	1 11 4
TOTAL EXPENSES OF MAINTENANCE ..		809 19 2	638 17 1	621 7 11
AVERAGE ANNUAL CHARGE PER PRISONER ..		13 10 0	22 16 4	34 10 6

under the control of the General Prisons Board, Ireland,
year ended 31st March, 1916.

ENNIS STATE INTERMEDIATE REFORMATORY.	ARMAGH.	BELFAST.	*CASTLEBAR.	COCK MALE.	COCK FEMALE.
M. 13 F. 17	M. 30 F. 18	M. 228 F. 126	M. 5 F. 2	M. 77	F. 55
£ s. d. 1,555 0 2 51 17 4	£ s. d. 1,919 7 0 39 19 9	£ s. d. 3,313 8 0 17 10 8	£ s. d. 558 18 2 81 5 6	£ s. d. 2,685 7 5 34 17 6	£ s. d. 1,247 10 3 22 13 8
451 18 0 0 3 1 339 3 5 16 15 1 72 10 11 1 5 0 8 2 5	356 0 2 0 4 11 523 17 4 23 17 4 70 5 9 10 18 9 10 4 5	2,175 7 4 52 10 2 807 3 0 108 9 7 548 15 8 85 14 0 57 0 3	55 8 0 2 5 7 112 18 0 5 2 9 9 19 0 0 5 6 0 9 0	592 7 1 18 5 7 590 12 6 45 18 11 112 3 1 17 7 3 18 15 4	372 12 10 10 2 4 430 1 10 21 10 4 58 16 5 9 10 4 7 8 0
898 19 3 29 19 4	1,014 17 8 21 2 10	3,833 0 0 10 16 7	202 8 7 28 18 4	1,392 9 9 18 1 11	910 0 2 16 10 11
LIMERICK.	LONDONDERRY.	SLIGO.	TRALE.	TULLANORE.	WATERFORD.
M. 44 F. 15	M. 51 F. 34	M. 31 F. 12	M. 30 F. 0	M. 17 F. 8	M. 35 F. 22
£ s. d. 2,063 17 7 34 19 7	£ s. d. 2,304 15 6 28 3 5	£ s. d. 1,557 3 4 35 8 11	£ s. d. 1,008 12 9 41 4 11	£ s. d. 1,607 15 4 64 6 3	£ s. d. 1,922 5 4 33 14 0
488 2 1 4 17 4 520 12 5 27 18 8 00 16 5 9 3 8 16 3 11	603 15 3 22 12 7 415 3 7 33 1 5 120 18 6 3 12 10 21 14 11	330 13 11 4 5 6 453 9 5 13 7 9 88 1 4 18 0 3 7 8 1	343 10 7 9 8 3 318 14 3 17 9 8 72 17 2 25 3 6 11 1 8	224 13 0 8 14 8 368 18 3 12 13 9 13 5 6 1 18 5 5 2 4	453 16 8 14 12 7 405 1 7 22 7 11 79 13 6 15 1 5 19 2 5
1,133 14 4 19 4 4	1,310 17 1 15 8 5	901 6 3 20 10 3	798 5 1 20 0 4	534 3 11 25 7 4	1,002 16 1 17 11 10

* Reduced to status of Minor Prison from 15th August, 1915.

TABLE X.—C. Expenses of Establishments under the Control of the General Prisons Board, Ireland, other than for Staff and Maintenance in the year ended 31st March, 1916.

HEADS OF SERVICE.	TOTALS.
	£ s. d.
Gratuities to prisoners (including contributions to Discharged Prisoners' Aid Societies).	890 8 4
Escort and conveyance of prisoners	7,330 6 6
New buildings and alterations	1,059 6 10
Ordinary repairs of buildings	1,751 13 6
Rent	312 14 2
Incidental expenses (including travelling and removal expenses of officers).	976 8 7
Total of other expenses	12,320 17 11
Do. exclusive of New buildings and alterations.	11,261 11 1
Average annual charge per prisoner	6 15 8

SUMMARY OF A, B, AND C.

A.—Total Cost of Staff	47,713 13 1
B.—" Maintenance	29,391 19 3
C.—" Other expenses (exclusive of New buildings, &c.)	11,261 11 1
Total expenses for the year	88,367 3 5
Total annual charge per prisoner	53 4 8
DEDUCTION.	
Appropriations in aid, viz. :—Net receipts on Manufacturing department; and Miscellaneous receipts from sale of old stores, rents, &c.	808 17 2
Net cost (after above deduction)	87,558 6 3
Net annual charge per prisoner (after above deduction).	52 14 11

NOTE.—No deduction is made in respect of the labour of prisoners employed on prison buildings or in prison manufactures, but the value of such labour in the year 1915-1916 is calculated at £11,971 18s. 3d.

Under the sub-head of the Prisons Vote "Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics," provision is made for the expenses of all patients in District Asylums in Ireland classed as Criminal Lunatics under the Act 1 Edward VII., ch. 17. The actual payments from the Vote during the last five years have been as under :—

	£	s.	d.
1911-1912	7,488	6	1
1912-1913	7,701	10	10
1913-1914	8,075	10	7
1914-1915	8,625	19	7
1915-1916	8,443	12	10

TABLE XI.—Statement of Total Expenses of Establishments under the Control of the General Prison Board in each year from 1908-1910 to 1918-1919.

HEADS OF EXPENSE	Year 1908-1909 Prisoners: Males, 1,144 Females, 264			Year 1910-1911 Prisoners: Males, 1,276 Females, 319			Year 1911-1912 Prisoners: Males, 1,312 Females, 408			Year 1912-1913 Prisoners: Males, 1,743 Females, 564			Year 1914-1915 Prisoners: Males, 1,637 Females, 489			Year 1915-1916 Prisoners: Males, 1,147 Females, 317		
	2,408			1,595			1,720			2,307			2,126			1,464		
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
Pay and allowances of officers, including sundries, &c.	55,254	1	4	49,358	19	10	50,418	18	9	55,051	0	3	55,476	10	14	55,000	7	0
Vermining for prisoners	14,878	10	7	14,479	0	7	13,668	8	11	14,831	0	3	14,569	10	11	13,937	13	0
Clothing for prisoners	5,547	11	4	5,261	0	4	5,383	1	0	5,800	13	0	5,700	10	0	5,315	10	0
Shoaling for prisoners	900	0	1	850	0	11	830	11	0	900	10	0	774	10	7	745	10	0
Expenditure, kitchen, washhouse, laundry, &c.	594	10	11	500	3	0	545	10	4	713	10	4	565	10	0	530	0	0
Medicine, surgical instruments, &c.	480	10	10	380	10	0	370	10	7	380	12	10	420	0	4	400	0	0
Gratuities to prisoners (including Contributions to Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society)	500	0	4	1,100	10	1	977	0	0	1,054	10	0	1,184	0	0	1,061	10	0
Food, light, and water	5,454	10	0	5,380	0	0	5,540	10	0	5,475	7	7	5,310	0	0	5,100	0	0
Soap, mending, and cleaning articles	714	0	0	697	10	0	661	10	0	640	10	0	640	0	0	570	10	0
Heat	600	11	0	560	10	0	561	14	0	594	14	0	510	10	0	512	0	0
Recreation and amusements of prisoners	10,470	0	0	10,200	0	0	9,925	10	0	9,944	0	0	9,555	0	11	9,504	0	0
Fire buildings and alterations	1,710	0	0	1,540	0	0	1,500	10	0	1,470	0	14	1,800	10	0	640	10	1
Ordinary repairs of buildings	5,610	10	4	5,750	0	1	5,700	10	0	5,660	0	44	5,945	10	44	5,394	10	1
Extraordinary repairs	1,300	10	4	1,440	0	1	1,300	14	0	1,407	14	10	1,300	0	10	1,800	10	11
Maintenance of children of female prisoners	10	10	0	7	10	0	7	10	0	0	10	0	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	95,500	0	0	85,100	0	11	90,070	10	10	95,932	14	0	95,470	10	0	95,500	0	0
Total, exclusive of new buildings and alterations	84,570	10	0	75,200	0	0	81,440	0	0	84,550	10	0	84,400	0	0	85,200	10	0

APPENDIX.

PART II.

STATE INEBRIATE REFORMATORY, ENNIS.

RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1915.

I.—NUMBERS IN CUSTODY, &c.

			M.	F.	Total.	
In custody at beginning of year	...	...	11	18	29
Committed during year	...	...	5	4	9
Received on transfer from Certified Reformatories			—	3	3	
Received on Revocation of Licence	...	...	2	—	2
Discharged	{	On expiration of sentence	...	4	7	11
		On licence	...	—	2	2
		On commutation of sentence	...	1	1	2
Removed to Lunatic Asylums	...	...	—	—	—
In custody at end of year	...	...	13	15	28

	M.	F.	Total.
Daily average number in custody during year	12.94	18.42	31.36

II.— OFFENCES (IN ADDITION TO THAT, IN EACH CASE, OF BEING A HABITUAL DRUNKARD), AND SENTENCES OF INMATES COMMITTED DURING THE YEAR.

		6		1		1½		2		3	
		mos.		year.		years.		years.		years.	
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Assault	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-
Disorderly conduct while drunk.	-	-	-	-	2*	-	-	-	-
Found drunk on highway	-	-	-	1*	-	-	-	-	-
Larceny	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	1
Neglect children	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Receiving	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
TOTAL		...	-	-	-	2	-	2	2	3	1

* These cases were received on transfer from a certified Reformatory.

III.—AGES AND PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS OF INMATES COMMITTED DURING THE YEAR.

Ages.	Previous convictions.	
	M.	F.
Under 21 ...	—	—
21 and under 30 ...	1	2
30 and under 40 ...	1	3
40 and under 50 ...	3	1
50 and under 60 ...	—	1
60 and over ...	—	—
Total ...	5	7

Number who had been previously convicted:—	
Under six times ...	2
Six to ten times ...	—
Eleven to twenty times ...	1
Above twenty times ...	2
Number not previously convicted ...	—
Total ...	5

IV.—RETURN OF RESTRAINTS, OFFENCES IN REFORMATORY, AND PUNISHMENTS DURING THE YEAR.

	M.	F.
Total number of inmates during the year ...	18	25
Restraints—		
Muffs with straps or restraint jackets ...	—	1
Punishments—		
Close confinement in ordinary cells ...	2	7
Dietary punishment ...	2	7
Loss of stage or privilege ...	2	5
Offences—		
Violence ...	2	6
Escapes and attempts to escape ...	—	—
Idleness ...	1	—
Other breaches of regulations ...	1	2
Total offences ...	4	8

V.—PARTICULARS OF EACH CASE OF INSANITY AMONGST INMATES DURING THE YEAR.—Nil.

APPENDIX.

PART III.

BORSTAL INSTITUTION FOR MALES, CLONMEL.

RETURNS FOR YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1915.

I.—NUMBERS IN CUSTODY, &c.

In Custody at the beginning of the year	...	...	84
Received :—			
Committed under Section 1 of Prevention of Crime Act, 1908.			30
Committed under Section 2 of Prevention of Crime Act, 1908.			—
Transferred under Section 3 of Prevention of Crime Act, 1908.			—
Recommitted on forfeiture or revocation of licence	...	—	—
	Total	...	114*
Disposed of :—			
Released on Licence before expiration of sentence		...	10
Discharged on licence on expiration of sentence		...	16
Discharged on expiration of sentence	...	...	1
Discharged on special grounds	...	...	48
Removed to Prisons	...	...	—
Removed to Lunatic Asylums	...	...	—
	Total	...	75
Remaining in Institution at end of the year	...	...	39

Daily average number of Inmates during the year 60-14.

II.—SUMMARY OF OFFENCES AND PERIODS OF DETENTION ORDERED IN CASES OF INMATES COMMITTED DURING THE YEAR.

	3 years	Under 3 years & over 2	2 years & over 18 months	18 months & over 12 months	12 months or less	Total
Offences against the person.	5	—	—	—	—	5
Offences against property with violence.	5	—	1	—	—	6
Offences against property without violence.	13	—	5	—	—	18
Malicious injuries to property.	1	—	—	—	—	1
Total	24	—	6	—	—	30

* Including one case specially committed under Section 104 of the Children Act, 1908.

III.—AGES AND PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS OF INMATES COMMITTED DURING THE YEAR.

Ages.			Previous Convictions. Number who had been previously convicted—			
16 years	...	10	Once	...	...	11
17 "	...	6	Twice	...	...	2
18 "	...	5	Three times	...	...	1
19 "	...	5	Four Times	...	...	1
20 "	...	4	Five Times	...	...	—
21 "	...	—	Six Times	...	...	—
			Above Six Times	...	...	—
			Number not previously convicted			15
Total	...	30	Total	...	...	30

IV.—RESTRAINTS, OFFENCES IN INSTITUTION, AND PUNISHMENTS DURING THE YEAR.

Total number of inmates during the year	...	...	114
Restraints :—			
Muffs with Straps or Restraint Jackets	...	...	—
Punishments :—			
Close Confinement in Ordinary Cell	...	...	14
Dietary punishment	...	...	14
Loss of Stage or Privilege	...	...	16
Offences :—			
Violence	...	...	3
Escapes and attempts to escape	...	...	1
Idleness	...	...	4
Other Breaches of Regulations	...	...	30
Total Offences	...	...	38

V.—PARTICULARS OF EACH CASE OF INSANITY AMONGST INMATES DURING THE YEAR.—Nil.

PART IV.—Names of the various Certified Discharged Prisoners' Aid Societies in Ireland.

BELFAST	... Prison Gate Mission for Men (Protestant). Prison Gate Mission for Women (Protestant). Aid Society for Discharged Catholic Men Prisoners. Aid Society for Discharged Catholic Women Prisoners.
CLONMEL	... Borstal Association (undenominational).
CORK	... Discharged Female Roman Catholic Prisoners' Aid Society. Catholic Prisoners' Aid Society (Male).
DUBLIN	... Discharged Female Roman Catholic Prisoners' Aid Society. Discharged Male Catholic Prisoners' Aid Society Society for the Relief of Poor Protestants (Male and Female) discharged from Prison.
DUNDALK	... Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society (undenominational).
LIMERICK	... Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society for Limerick, Clare, and Tipperary (undenominational).
LONDONDERRY	... Presbyterian Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society. Church of Ireland Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society. Catholic Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society.
WATERFORD	... Waterford Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society (undenominational).

CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
DUBLIN CASTLE,

2nd January, 1917.

No. 24803/16.

SIR,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 29th ultimo, forwarding, for submission to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, the 38th Annual Report of the General Prisons Board for Ireland.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) E. O'FARRELL

The Chairman,
General Prisons Board,
Dublin Castle.